IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Sanders et al.

Application No.: tba (371 of PCT/GB2003/005171)

Filed: herewith

Title: Binding Partners for the Thyrotropin

Receptor and Uses Thereof

Attorney Docket No.: URQU.P-016

Group Art Unit:

Examiner:

Conf. No.:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.115

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to the Examination of the above-referenced application, please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendment to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which beings on page 7 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 17 of this paper and include attached replacement sheets:

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 18 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following the Remarks/ Arguments section of this paper.